BRITONS WERE OUTWITTED BY THE UNITED STATES SENATE.

Latter Did Not Recognize England as a Great North American Power, as Was Desired.

COMMENT OF THE THUNDERER

WAS NOT THE ISSUE AT STAKE.

Britain Probably Wanted the Monroe Doctrine Weakened by Ratification of the Treaty as Drawn.

AMENDMENTS NOT RELISHED

BECAUSE ONE ABROGATES THE CLAYTON-BULWER AGREEMENT.

Expressions of the London Times Man Repudlated by the Government-Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-The clamorous statement of the London Times in discussing the amended Hay-Pauncefote treaty that the Senate and Mr. Lodge forget that "England is a great North American power" emphasizes the exact point that largely influenced the action of the Senate in making practically a new treaty out of the convention Secretary Hay and Ambassador Pauncefote signed. The Senate amendments did not recognize England as a great North American power. England's claim to be so const ed led the Senate to look on the isthmian canal as quite a secondary matter. The main question with the Senate finally came to be the preservation of the Monroe doctrine, and this precludes England's claim to recognition as a great North American power. The treaty as submitted to the Senate rehabilitated the ill-omend Clayton-Bulwer treaty and gave a renewed and even enlarged recognition of England's claim to a co-equal voice with the United States in the affairs of this con-

This came to be looked on as the main object of England in negotiating "he new convention. The more the trea. cussed in the Senate the stronge

the impression that its ratification negotiated would be a severe blow at the Monroe doctrine. It was therefore so amended as to remove from it the last vestige of anything that would be construed as having that meaning. England holds sovereignty over continental as well as insular territory in North America, but merely as colonial possessions, of which she may be dispossessed in several different w ys at any time. Her seat of supreme

of the United States, but on another lone is sufficient to destroy any claim she ay make to be treated as the equal of tals government on this continent. Her interest and influence on this continent is not and cannot be the same as this country. These considerations influenced the Senate in amending the treaty in the way and to the extent it did, and the heated denunciations of the London papers, especially of the Times, confirm the sus picion that the canal was of secondary and slight interest to England in the Hay-Pauncefote convention.

"The Nicaragua Cloud." LONDON, Dec. 24.-The Standard, re ferring to the canal difficulty, expresses a

hope that President McKinley will "show

himself wiser than the inconsiderate Sen-

The Daily Chronicle bluntly admits that the "Nicaragua cloud has become ver! serious." It sees no compromise course between allowing things to slide, thus "causing another miserable loss to our honor and reputation, and an uncondition al refusal of the new amendments." As suming the latter alternative to be adopted. the Daily Chronicle asks: "What force has Lord Salisbury to back up a refusal? Our army is shut up in South Africa and China and our navy is needed to protect communications with both. Seldom in its stormy

been placed in a more dangerous dilemma."

career has the Conservative government

Editorial Froth Repudiated. LONDON, Dec. 24.-A representative of the Associated Press has been informed at the British Foreign Office that all the editorial comment in the London Times to day, and other English papers, on the Nicaragua canal treaty, is entirely unauthorized and not inspired by the Foreign Office. To use official language, "England has too many irons in the fire to take up the Nicaragua canal matter at present She has received no official communication on the subject, nor has she given it as yet any official consideration."

A Slap at McKinley.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.-The National Zeitung. a journal usually friendly to the United States, discussing the rejection of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty in its original form, by the Senate, says: "The incident means such a slap at the executive as can scarcely be found not only in the history of the United States but in the parliamentary history of the world. Presumably, the treaty is not now acceptable to Great Britain."

NO PROTEST FILED.

Micaragua and Costa Rica Have Not

Taken Action on the Treaty. Associated Press Dispatch. WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-It can be authoritatively stated that there has been no exchange whatever, either in the shape of written notes or oral communications. between the State Department and the gov ernments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica that has developed a threat on the part of those governments to refuse assent to the construction of a canal in view of the action of the United States Senate under the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. All that is officially known of the attitude of the two governments mentioned is that their representatives here, Senors Corea and Calvo. thoroughly approved of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty as a basis for the canal conmade in that convention will affect their formed that he was held for ransom in the tiful and the useful. Competent judges, A force of 2,500 Venezuelan troops, under vails that not being called upon to come

T to a decision on this point until the British government shall have passed upon the Senate amendments the governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica will not anticipate that action by any declaration at this

The Nicaraguan minister, Mr. Corea, was asked to-day as to the report that he had protested in behalf of Nacaragua against the amended form of the treaty. He said he did not care to discuss the matter in its present status, but he pointed out the unlikelihood that Nicaragua and Impressive Ceremony, Accompanied Costa Rica would protest while the matter was one of domestic policy. Later on, if it assumed the concrete form of a proposition to be submitted to Nicaragua and Costa Rica, it would be for them to say whether it would be acceptable or not. POPE WAS IN GOOD HEALTH but in the meantime it was hardly likely that there would be any protest or any action concerning a subject still in AN INDICATION THAT THE CANAL its creative stages in this country and in AND INTONED THE TE DEUM IN A step out of the class rooms to find them-Great Britain, and not yet before Nica-

> ragua and Costa Rica. It also can be stated, not on Mr. Corea's authority, but as a fact, that the Nicaraguan government has not, up to this time, defined its attitude on the amended document. Mr. Corea forwarded it, with full advices, but as the Senate acted only a few days ago, there has not yet been time for the papers to get before President Zelaya's Cabinet. And, even then, as Mr. Corea has pointed out, it is doubtful whether Nicaragua will assert her position in advance of receiving overtures as to the canal. It appears to be the accepted view, however, in Central American diplomatic quarters, that the Senate confined its consideration to the interests of the United States and other maritime powers and failed to take into much account the interests of those countries most vitally concerned by having the waterway through their territory.

The British government has not, up to this time, given the slightest indication as to its purpose on the amended Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and it is understood that formed the ceremony of closing the holy the subject will not be taken up by the door of St. Peter's Cathedral, with the British Cabinet until the draft of the amended instrument and the advices of the British ambassador at Washington are re- of the princes of the church, who particiceived. The general results have been briefly summarized in cables to the London authorities, but in a matter of this magnitude they would not act until they were in possession of all the data by mail Under these circumstances, it is evident that to-day's utterances of the London (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2, COL. 2.)

OMAHA POLICE ON THE TRAIL OF YOUNG CUDAHY'S KIDNAPERS.

Lantern with Black and White Ribbon Attached Picked Up Seven and a Half Miles from the City.

TREASURE BAGS ALSO FOUND

LEGS OF TROUSERS AND UNDER-

SHIRT SLEEVE BURIED IN SNOW. rnment is not on this continent, as is | Were Intended to Be Used in Carry-

ing Away the Gold Paid for

the Boys Ransom.

OMAHA, Dec. 24.-Seven and one-half the Pontifical Noble Guards. On his armiles west of Omaha, on Center street, in McArdle precinct, and about a quarter of a mile west of the Big Pappio, in the Raddock Grove, on the south side of the road, was found, Thursday morning, the lantern with the white and black ribbon attached, which was used to "flag" Mr. Cudahy in his drive. It was found by two sons of a farmer on their way to school. They picked up the lantern, supposing it was left by "movers," who might have camped at that point over night. The lantern was immediately placed in possession of a constable, who brought it to Omaha this afternoon. Today two trouser legs and an undershirt sleeve were found buried under the snow near the fence adjoining the road. The finding of the lantern settles, beyond all question of doubt, the exact location as to the point where the kidnapers received

their ransom. It also gives the authorities an important clew. The trouser legs were intended for treasure bags, are of black clay worsted and had been patched in the seats. The trouser legs were cut off midway between the hips and the knee. When the lantern was picked up it was filled with oil and the wick showed that it had been recently used. Near where the lantern was found were a number of ears of corn, a part of the kernels yet remaining on the cob, indicating that a horse had been fed there very recently. Tracks were observable in the soft earth, showing that a horse had been tied near where the lantern was found. On the wire fence was a plece of common white wrapping twine, which had evidently held the lantern in place while being used as a

signal to Mr. Cudahy. CUDARY'S STATEMENT

The Packer Says His Son Was Kid-

naped and Ransomed. OMAHA. Dec. 24.-Owing to conflicting reports sent to papers outside of Omaha, E. A. Cudahy this afternoon signed a statement giving the details of the kidnaping of his son the night of Dec. 18. It follows: "It has been called to my attention that dispatches are printed which throw doubt on the kidnaping of my son. I regret exceedingly that there should be any conflicting stories or misrepresentations with respect to the crime that would create any doubt or uncertainty. The facts briefly are these: On Tuesday night, Dec. 18, between 7 and 8 o'clock, our son was sent to a neighbor's and was expected to immediately return. Failing to return the police were notified. About 1 o'clock on Wednesday morning the coachman found a letter on the lawn fastened to a stick and addressed to Mr. Cudahy. This was a five-page letter, with lead pencil printing, and unsigned, stating that they had kidnaped my son. and demanded \$25,000 in gold coin for his return, and with specific instructions as to when the money should be placed. I procured \$25,000 in gold coin and delivered the same at the point designated in the letter. We recognized that the leaving of the money was but a chance at best, but a chance that, under all the circumstances, I was compelled to accept. About five hours after depositing the money my son Eddic

was returned. While a captive he was in-

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HOLY DOOR OF ST. PETER'S CATHE-DRAL FIGURATIVELY SEALED.

by All the Pomp at Command of the Catholie Church.

STRONG, RESONANT VOICE.

Used a Golden Trowel in Cementing the Three Gilded Bricks Laid in the Doorway.

IMMENSE THRONG PRESENT

EIGHTY THOUSAND PERSONS.

burg School of Applied Arts-Great Progress in Russia.

ROME, Dec. 24.-The Pope to-day pergorgeous forms usual to great functions of this kind. There was a great gathering pated in the ceremony, which was witnessed by enormous crowds. The closing of the holy door took place with the utmost pomp, his Holiness descending to St. Peter's Cathedral at 11 a. m., and the ceremonles lasted until 1 p. m. The Pope then returned to his apartments apparently not fatigued. He intoned the Te Deum in a resonant voice, and throughout gave evidence of being in excellent health and spirits. He used the artistic, golden trowel world, in mortaring the three gilded bricks which he placed, as a first layer, on the threshold of St. Peter's door. The whole pontificial court participated in the cere-

The spectacle inside the vast basilica was superb. The pillars of the central nave were draped with gold embreidered scarlet cloth, and the porch under which the function took place was transformed into a magnificently decorated hall. On the left of the holy door was erected the pontifical throne, covered with red and gold. On the right hand of the door stood tribunes for royal personages, princes, Knights of Malta, prelates, representatives of the Roman nobility and other distinguished persons. Inside the church every inch of space was occupied by the throng, which gathered early in the morning. A strong detachment of troops, stationed in the square in front of the cathedral, controlled the in-

coming crowds, who literally raced to secure the best positions. The Pope left his apartments at 11:45 a m., borne in the sacred chair and preceded by clergy with lighted candles, bishops, archbishops and cardinals and escorted by rival at the portal of St. Peter's he alighted and entered the church through the holy religious silence was observed, which tion of time. heightened the grandeur and impressiveness of the moment. Borne now on the most precious relics of the Catholic Church, which were displayed on the altar. Then Pontiff again knelt for some time, while the choir of the Sistine Chapel chanted

The Pope was then borne to the holy door, where he alighted from the sedia gestatoria and waited until the entire procession had passed out through the \* or, he leaving the church last and wa' ( to the throne, where he seated himsen. . number of sacred songs were sung by the Papal choir, after which Leo rose and blessed all the material employed in closing the door. Then he descended from the throne, knelt before the dome and laid with the golden trowel a layer of cement, on which he placed three gilt bricks bearing commemorative inscriptions. Beside the bricks he placed a casket containing gold, silver and bronze medals and bearing the head of Leo

closing of the holy door. The Pope having ascended the throne, Cardinal Bishop Serafino Vannuteli and four other cardinals performed a similar ceremony of laying cement and three by the Vatican closed the doorway with a

with a cross in the center. The candles borne by the clergy were extinguished, the Te Deum was sung and the Pontiff, having given solemn benediction, was immediately carried back to his apartments.

It is estimated that eighty thousand persons were spectators of the ceremony. PROGRESS IN RUSSIA.

School of Applied Arts That Is Doing Much for the People.

Correspondence of the Associated Press. ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 8.-Reflective observers discover numerous resemblances between Russia and America which are not accidental nor mere coincidences. One such resemblance is the liberality of the people of wealth toward public institutions. This liberality, almost foreign to the nations from which Russia has borrowed most, is

ing to school in America, she is able, than 30,000 of your countrymen." through the generosity of private citizens. to give lessons in some matters. An instance is afforded by the Baron Stleglitz School of Applied Arts, in this city. It. could easily be taken as a model by the patrons of the industrial arts in the United the Ecole des Arts Decoratifs at Paris, against Peraza,

award the palm of merit, completeness of DDA equipment and excellence of design alone considered to the Baron Stieglitz school. This school was established in 1879, with an endowment of 10,000,000 roubles, or more than \$5,000,000, which was given by the will of Baron Alexander Stieglitz. The ministry of finance assumed the administration of this fund, or, more exactly, the supervision, the active management having been intrusted to friends of art and to artists. The state gave a site for the school and museum. The school was opened with a small attendance and few classes in 1881. It has been steadily growing and enlarging its field ever since. The museum was opened

in 1896. The buildings, which cost over a million roubles, are admirably adapted to the pur- CLAIM MADE FOR DEMURRAGE pose for which they were designed. The school and the museum are practically under the same roof. Students have only to selves in the excellently arranged special collections, illustrating the artistic taste of every age and country. These buildings are in themselves a delight to artists, every hall illustrating a different style of deco-

The school has thirty-three teachers and three hundred students. An annual exhibition of the work of the school is given every January. The plan of instruction is science and languages, including religious instruction, literature, elementary geometry, the theory of shades and perspectives, CEREMONY WITNESSED BY ABOUT Russian history, general history and the history of the fine arts and applied arts, elementary chemistry and technology, the methods of drawing, practical esthetics and the French and German languages. What Is Being Done at a St. Peters- The school is under the general direction of M. Kotoff and the museum is under the charge of M. Carbonier.

Pupils are of both sexes. They must stand an entrance examination and must (CONTINUED ON PAGE 7, COL. 2.)

CAPE COLONY DUTCH AIDING THEIR GOVERNMENT'S ENEMIES.

Railway Communication Between Cape Town and the North Severed by Boers and the Rain.

subscribed for by the Catholics of the LORD KITCHENER AT DE AAR

WILL PERSONALLY DIRECT OPERA TIONS AGAINST THE INVADERS.

Tenor of Christmas Editorials in th London Press-Britons in a Chastened Mood.

LONDON, Dec. 25, 4:20 a. m.-There no sign of the despondency which characterized "Black December" last year. At the same time the Christmas editorials find little cause for extreme satisfaction. All express regret that the nation is still at war. Some take the trouble to remind their readers that there are four times as many troops in South Africa now as there were twelve months ago, and all engaged in the monotonous and wearisome duties against an evasive foe and needing the sympathy of friends at home at this feslack of political foresight regarding the character and the wisdom of the operasolemn and silvery tones of a trumpet "everything has long since been done echoed through the edifice. The chapter of that would have been possible to end the the Vatican met him and presented to him | war if we had been contending against holy water, which he sprinkled upon the European powers." It is confident, howngregation. Applause being forbidden, a ever, that the settlement is only a ques-

Lord Kitchener has arrived at De Aar. Cape Colony, and is taking measures sedia gestatoria to the high altar, he crush the Boer invasion. Lord Kitchener's stepped to the ground and knelt before the | departure from Pretoria is sufficient to explain the absence of official news.

the procession reformed and proceeded to to give Lord Roberts a popular welcome the Chapel of the Sacrament, where the Jan. 3. Ten thousand troops will be gath- sailing of the Prairie. At the same time innocent character of the girl seems to the capacity of the transport service as at ered in London to line the route to Buck- he will ingham Palace.

"We learn," says the Daily Mail, "that the reports of the serious situation in Cape Colony are fully confirmed. The invading | pavilion. He wrote the American commisbetween Cape Town and the north is almost entirely severed, partly by Boer ing would be turned over to him for deoperations and partly by rains."

correspondent of the Daily Mail at The Hague, "Mr. Kruger has become stiffnecked. He now scornfully rejects all private suggestions in the nature of peace overtures."

Gen. Reginald Pole-Carew, who has returned from South Africa, will marry Lady Beatrice Frances Elizabeth, elder daughter of the Marquis of Ormonde. He and inscriptions recording the opening and is fifty-one years of age and she is under twenty-five.

The Daily Express, which praises the Maxim-Cramp combination, says: "Vicker's Sons & Maxim will thereby be able to underbid any American competitors for bricks, after which the masons employed government contracts and they will exploit the military necessities of the United canvas screen, painted to represent marble. States for the benefit of British share- M. Lazies served him with a legal notice on speculation."

> Canadians Wanted in South Africa. OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 24.-The Colonial as possible to join Baden-Powell's Trans- francs daily from March 15, the date when vaal mounted police. If 1,000 Canadians volunteer for this service it is the inten- June 23, together with a claim of 2,000 tion of the imperial government to offer francs for defective constructions, as the last night as a Christmas celebration, ten captaincies and fifteen lieutenancies in the force to qualified officers of the Canadian militia. The pay for men is 5 shillings per day from the date of landing in Capa Town, with free transportation from Canada to South Africa.

Kruger Invited to Grand Rapids. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 24.-The Common Council of this city to-night unanimously adopted a resolution extending to President Kruger an official welcome and the product, in part, of the same conditions | the freedom of the city. In accordance with which have lavished private wealth on the this action the city clerk sent the following American universities and technical and cable to President Kruger at The Tague. "We extend greetings and most urgently Although Russia is in some respects go- request you to visit our city and meet more

Rebellion in Venezuela. CURACOA, Dutch Guiana, Dec. 24.-Celestino Peraza, formerly the secretary general of Urest Castro, of Venezuela, has revolted against the Venezuelan govern-States who are trying to reunite the beau- ment near Lozema, in the Guarico district.

ARBITRARY ACTION OF A FRENCH RAILWAY COMPANY RESENTED.

Embargo Laid on Thirty Cars Containing Part of the United States Government Exhibit at Paris.

ROAD IS NOT ENTITLED TO.

Formal Protest at Once Made to th French Government by the United States Ambassador.

liberal. There is a four years' course in COUNTER CLAIM FOR DAMAGES

LOADING AND SAILING OF THE CRUISER PRAIRIE DELAYED.

Trouble with a Frenchman Who Has the Contract of Demolishing the American Pavilion.

from Havre, for New York, with the gova formal protest to the French government by United States Ambassador Porter.

The company bases its claim on demurrage charges on freight in the cars when the goods were brought to the exposition for installation. Some time ago the claim was submitted, and Major Brackett, secretary of the American commission, investigated it and concluded that it had no foundation, as some of the cars charged against the American government never contained official exhibits, while the others were cars utilized by private exhibitors and not, therefore, chargeable to the United States. Major Brackett thereupon endeavored to secure a settlement, but without avail. The matter dragged along through the summer, the secretary of the American commission repeatedly expressing his willingness to settle any just claim against the United MURDER States. The company left the case in an unsatisfactory condition and finally embar-

goed the cars. When Major Brackett was informed by the United States agent at Havre he wired him instructions to pay to the company 500 francs in the presence of the legal authorities and at the same time to enter a claim against the company for 10,000 francs, as damages for obstruction and delay. "Last summer the company submitted a bill of 32,782 francs for freight charges against the commission," he said to-day, "and pressed tive season. The Standard, which says for payment. Pending an explanation of that Christmas finds the British people in a certain items. I paid 25,000 francs on ac chastened mood, moralizes on the strange | count, at the same time asking for details. When these were furnished I discovered that the commission had been charged with door. As he appeared on the threshold the tions against the Boers. It confesses that 4.193 francs which should have been charged to the Compagnie General Transatlantique, while 4.110 francs should have been charged to private exhibitors. The company is, therefore, obliged to make a

> To-morrow being a holiday there will be no loading of the Prairie. The cars will be released by the payment of the 500 francs. Should Wednesday not bring Elaborate preparations are being made probably pay the rest of the claim under grief-stricken, and does all he can to aid enter an additional claim for damages.

> zles, the contractor who built the National | learned. not satisfactory and asking when the build-"Since the Nooitgedacht affair," says the commission that he intended to take posseswould be placed under his control Dec. 20: and at a formal meeting he was notified ground that they were taking goods which Brackett secured their release next day. its present shape and would demand damages for delay. The Frenchman will now be held to strict terms of the contract? which includes demolition, and a counter-Office is anxious to get as many Canadians | claim will be entered for a forfeit of 200 the contract called for completion, and roof leaked and certain furnishings were ended this morning in a murderous row, ruined. More than this, there will be a special claim of 2,000 francs, if it can be proved that M. Lazies brought about the arrest, making a total of 26,800 francs. Another bone of contention may be the settlement of the restaurant concession in

paid for.

SANTIAGO SHAKEN.

Second Earthquake in Eastern Cubs Within a Month.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. 24.-The secand earthquake experienced by this disday. The shocks were at first scarcely permost impossible to injure the massive masonry of the buildings constituting the prin cipal portion of the city, but some dam-

The people of the city have a deadly fear TT of a seismic disturbance owing to the destruction of a cathedral long ago. Many of them now predict an early disaster because of the two earthquakes that have visited Santiago within thirty days.

Haiti Shaken by an Earthquake. PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti, Dec. 24.-There was a strong earthquake shock here to-day, but no damage was done.

# VERITABLE PESTHOLE.

Several Hundred Cases of Smallpox and a Death Rate of 20 Per Cent.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 24.—The Courier- | 60.000 Journal to-day says: "The State Board of Health has quarantined Greenup county against the world. The smallpox situation WHICH MAJOR BRACKETT SAYS THE in that county is critical. There are sev- TO PROPERLY GARRISON ALL THE eral hundred cases, and the death rate has been 20 per cent., the largest known in the history of the disease in the State. The State Board of Health has ordered that every person in the county be vaccinated. A special from South Portsmouth says that orders have been received by all Chesapeake & Ohio Ohio Railroad agents to discontinue the sale of tickets and to refuse all freight to or from the county. Guards have been stationed to prevent anyone leaving the county. Several persons have been stopped who attempted to cross the Ohio river in skiffs."

PINGREE IN CONTEMPT.

Ordered to Show Cause Why He Should Not Be Punished.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 24.-On petition of members of the Ingham county bar, Judge Wiest, of the Ingham County Court, to-day ordered Governor Pingree to appear in PARIS. Dec. 24.-Thirty cars, forming court next Saturday and show cause why part of the United States government ex- he should not be punished for contempt. hibit at the recent Paris exposition, were The action is based on an interview which suddenly laid under embargo to-day at was published in the Detroit Tribune Dec. Havre, the railroad company declining to 7, in which the Governor bitterly attacked surrender them, pending payment of a Judge Wiest and Prosecutor Tuttle, of claim of 5,710 francs. This extraordinary Ingham county. Attached to the petition action, seriously delaying the departure of | for an order is an affidavit by the Tribune the United States auxiliary cruiser Prairie | reporter who secured the interview, which affirms that it was given for publication, ernment exhibits, was made the subject of and that the following day the Governor ir formed him that the interview as printed was all right and commended its fairness

STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF MAG-GIE HOEL FROM UNCLE'S HOME.

Supposed to Have Been Either Kidnaped or Dragged to the Arkansas River and Drowned.

AT ITALIAN DANCE

DUEL IN WHICH A REVOLVER AND STILETTO WERE USED.

General Fight Precipitated-One Man Dead and Others Wounded-

-Long List of Crimes.

PUEBLO, Col., Dec. 24.-All day work of the police failed to throw any light on the mysterious disappearance of Maggie Hoel, who yesterday left or was taken from the home of her uncle, Charles Beatty, a short distance west of this city. It has, however, been learned that some time yesterday morning a carriage drawn by white horses was in the vicinity, and a richly dressed woman got out of it and seemed to be searching for something. It has been impossible thus far to find such a carriage. The girl, who is eighteen years of age, had a guardian in Missouri, and a young satisfactory solution, Major Brackett will man here was her lover. The latter is preclude theories of elopement, and the circumstances appear to indicate kidnap-Some trouble also arose with Philip La- ing, but for what motive cannot yet be

On Sunday Mrs. Beatty left Maggie, Boers are receiving much assistance from | sion on Dec. 16 saying that the last let- | the missing girl, in charge of her little the Cape Dutch. Railway communication | ter from Commissioner General Peck was | child at her home. Upon her return two hours later her sister was gone, and the baby was alone in the house. Marks about molition. Two days later he notified the the premises led to the immediate suspicion that the girl had been taken from her home sion and begin destruction immediately. He | by force. There were evidences of a strugin turn was informed that the building gle and in the yard were found the footprints of a man evidently of large size and weight. The footprints led in the direction that the commission would remove certain of the Arkansas river, and at some places lowed to each soldier in the Philippines furnishings not supplied by him, a proposi- along the trail appeared the prints of smalltion to which his representative did not er shoes such as Maggie Boel wore. At object. Saturday night, while the Amer- other places the trail indicated that the Department, ican custodian of the building, assisted by girl was dragged or carried by her captor. two workmen, was removing material be- Near the river bank, where the ground is longing to the United States, a force of po- harder, all traces were lost. A large numlice arrived and arrested all three on the ber of men have been searching but the girl has not yet been found. At Mrs. Beatlid not belong to them. It is stated that ty's home Maggie's hat and the wrap which M. Lazies brought about the arrest. Major she ordinarily wore out of doors, were found undisturbed. In the immediate vicinity a large force of men have been holders. They will also build men-of-war | that he would not accept the pavilion in | working on reservoirs now under construc-

CHRISTMAS EVE TRAGEDY.

An Italian Celebration Breaks Up a Murderous Row.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.-An Italian dance at Mamaroneck, N. Y., which was started one man being killed outright, another so badly stabbed that he is expected to die and several others receiving bad wounds. The scene of the tragedy was the "Footand-a-half House." From what can be learned the row was started by Antonio the American pavilion, which has not been | Dori. Veto Naraglano was waltzing around the dance hall with a young woman who had refused to dance with Dori. The latter followed them about the hall ridiculing their dancing and making himself generally disagreeable to them. Naragiano replied to his taunts and Dori challenged him to a duel. The dance was stopped immediately. Naraglano and Dori started outside, followed by all the revelers, and the musicians left their instruments on the floor. Naratrict within a month occurred at noon to- glano drew a revolver, Dori a stilecto. The latter made a plunge at Naragiano and ceptible, but they increased steadily and drove his stiletto deep into the man's the last was the most severe known for breast. Naraglano fired twice. One shot many years in this region. It would be al- tore open Doris's arm and the other struck Antonio Guiseppi, one of the musicians, in the eye, the bullet penetrating the brain. This immediately precipitated a general attitude is unknown. The impression pre- sum of \$25,000. These are the plain facts. who have seen the Kensington schools and General Aristides Fandeo, has been sent age was done in the poor quarter and one fight. When the Italians had fought them-

NONACTION OF CONGRESS IS WOR-RYING WAR DEPARTMENT.

All Volunteers Cannot Be Brought Home from the Philippines Be-

MEN ARE NECESSARY

fore Their Time Expirese

POSTS IN THE ISLANDS,

And General MacArthur Will Be Permitted to Retain that Number Un-

ONLY 9,000 TO COME HOME

til Fresh Troops Arrive.

OTHERS MUST AWAIT PASSAGE OF THE NEW ARMY MEASURE.

Fighting in the Island of Leyte-Lieut. L. H. Leaf Wounded-Federal

Party to Be Reorganized.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-As a result of a conference between the secretary of war and Quartermaster General Ludington, it has been decided that no further action can be taken with regard to the return of the volunteers from the Philippines until Congress shall make provision for their replacement. The War Department is considerably embarrassed by the failure of Congress to make provision, before the recess, for the relief of the military situation in the Philippines. Acting on representations made by General MacArthur the department has concluded that it is absolutely necessary to maintain an army of 60,000 men in the Philippines until the current policy of establishing municipal governments throughout the archipelago has been executed. It is stated at the department that any reduction of the military strength below that figure, under existing conditions, would doubtless prove most disastrous to the interests of the United

There are now about 69,000 troops, regulars and volunteers, in the Philippines, and arrangements have been made already for bringing home 9,000 of that number. No further reduction will be made until the War Department is advised fully of the purpose of Congress with regard to army legislation. When the necessary authority has been given, it is the purpose of the department to being home as rapidly as possible all the volunteers and regulars whose terms of enlistment expire on the 30th of June next, but not before it is replace them man for man with new recruits, enlisted under the terms of the new army bill. It, therefore, appears that after the 9,000 volunteers have left the Philip pines no more troops will be withdrawa from that country until they can be relieved by fresh troops recruited in the United States in accordance with legislation

yet to be enacted. It is expected that Congress will act promptly on the army bill soon after it reassembles in January, but even in that event, it is said at the War Department, it will not be possible to get the fresh troops to the Philippines inside of two months' time. The general home-coming movement of the mass of volunteers, therefore, will have to be postponed until about the 1st of February. That will give the quartermaster's department but five months' time to bring home the remainder of the volunteers and the regular troops whose terms will expire at the same time, aggregating about 40,000 men, before the 1st of July. protest in order not to delay further the in solving the mystery. The simple and This undertaking is believed to be beyond present organized, and may necessitate the charter of additional steamships. All arrangements in that line, however, will be held in abeyance until definite information has been received of the intention of Congress with regard to the proposed increase

of the regular army. Recent cable advices from General Mac-Arthur indicate a strong desire on the part of the volunteers generally to return to the United States and that comparatively few of them are likely to re-enlist without the most liberal inducements are offered. It is understood that General MacArthur has recommended that a bounty of \$250 be alwho re-enlists for another term, and the plan is said to meet with favor at the War

FIGHTING IN LEYTE.

Several Soldiers Wounded, Including Lieut. Leaf, Probably an Indianian. MANILA, Dec. 24.-Advices from the

Island of Levte show there is still considerable turmoil on the west coast, but the east coast is quiet, the rebel leaders having retired to the mountains. Lieut, Frank E. Lynch and three men of the Forty-fourth Volunteer Infantry were wounded near Hongas, on the west coast. Two men of Company L. Forty-third Volunteer Infantry, were killed, and three of Companies L and F, together with Lieut. Lewis H. Leaf, were wounded Dec. 13, near San Miguel, northwestern Leyte. No decided results have yet been secured by the 2,000 United States troops distributed

among the coast towns of Samar. The Lieutenant Leaf named above, probably is Lewis Leaf, of southern Indiana. brother of the Leaf who, for two or three years, was a guard in the Jeffersonville Reformatory. He was appointed to the army about sixteen months ago.

SUPERSTITION IN PANAY.

Woman Boloed Because She Was Bolieved to Be a Witch.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.-News has been

received at the War Department of a pe-

culiarly atrocious murder in the Philippines, the circumstances of which veloped at the trial of six natives before a military commission at Capiz, Panay, P. I. It appears from the testimony that two of the prisoners were responsible for the death of the wife of one of their neighbors. With seven or eight other men they went to the house of a native named Voctor Pere and forcibly took him and his wife to the Panay river, where they bound